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From: Snyder, Raquel
Sent: Fri 1/10/2014 5:34:28 PM
Subject: RE: Fwd: Gov. Tomblin provides update on State of Emergency

Thank you and I'm so sorry. This must be devastating with such a terrible impact on you and the folks in WV. I hope this gets resolved quickly.

Many thanks,

Raquel Snyder

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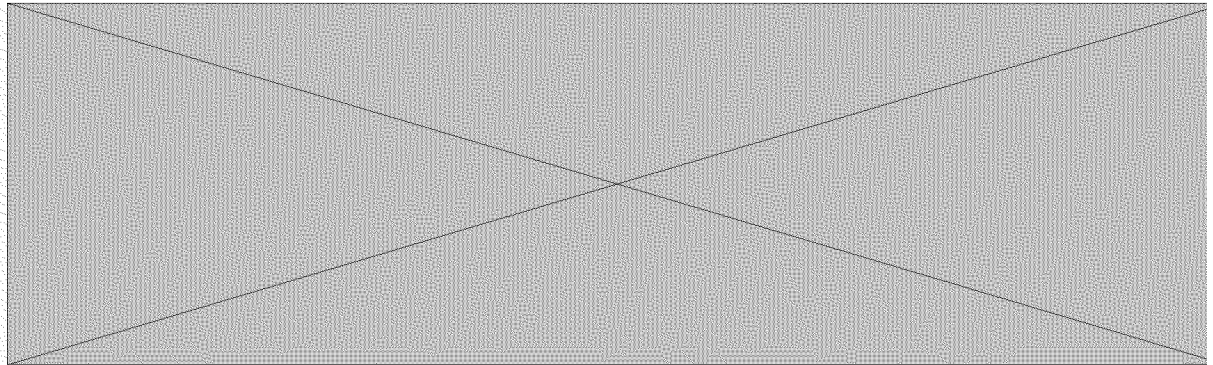
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Date: January 10, 2014 at 10:25:50 AM EST
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**GOVERNOR TOMBLIN PROVIDES UPDATE REGARDING
CURRENT STATE OF EMERGENCY**

CHARLESTON, W.Va. - Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin today issued the following statement regarding the current State of Emergency in Boone, Cabell, Clay, Jackson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Putnam, and Roane counties.

The State of Emergency remains in the affected counties. The Governor dispatched the state's Department of Environmental Protection to Freedom Industries yesterday, ordering it to halt further leaching of the particular chemical into the river.

"Our emergency response team has worked to develop a testing protocol and a sampling plan on the chemical at issue. Initial samples have been taken, and additional sampling and testing will continue throughout the situation.

"The sampling plan is a coordinated effort with West Virginia American Water Company

and the state Bureau of Public Health, and our emergency responders. This process will take time, but we continue to work quickly to provide information related to the ability to lift the "do not use" ordered by West Virginia American Water Company.

"Also overnight, water supplies have been relocated and have begun to be distributed to affected areas. Please call your local emergency service office to locate the closest distribution point for your area. Continue to refrain from using the water for drinking, cooking, cleaning, bathing and washing. Do not boil this water or use it to supply oxygen machines.

"Our efforts will continue until we have a resolution. Our main focus continues to center around our hospitals, nursing homes and those most vulnerable.

I will continue to keep our citizens updated as we gather additional information."

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